



# Messing With Texas



Matt Castro | COLLEGIAN

Sophomore forward **Jamar Samuels** slams it in for two last night in the Wildcat's victory over Texas University. Samuels was the Wildcat's leading scorer.

## No. 10 Wildcats upset No. 1 Longhorns, 71-62

By Grant Guggisberg | COLLEGIAN

Freshman guard Rodney McGruder has not seen much playing time this season. Since Saturday's game against Colorado, that has changed and gave K-State fans reason to cheer.

"It's been coming," head coach Frank Martin said of McGruder's solid minutes for the Wildcats. "He was overwhelmed in early December. He went home and came back and is back to doing the things he was doing earlier. You're starting to see it with (McGruder). His focus and understanding. That's two games in a row he's done a heck of a job for us defensively."

McGruder was involved in two game-changing plays on the offensive end late in No. 10 K-State's 71-62 win over No. 1 Texas, providing a spark off the bench in a game where the Wildcats shot just 1-12 from beyond the arc and Denis Clemente and Jacob Pullen combined for only 19 points.

McGruder's first big play came at the six-minute mark with K-State leading by just one point. The Wildcats went on a 9-0 run that was capped by a McGruder dunk over a defender while being fouled. He then converted the three-point play at the line.

His other big play came a few minutes later when he grabbed an offensive rebound off a Pullen miss and layed it up, giving the Wildcats a 10-point lead and enough momentum to seal the game. In addition to his 11 points, he grabbed seven rebounds with five of those being offensive.

Jamar Samuels led all scorers with 20 points and 12 rebounds, while Curtis Kelly added 17 points and eight rebounds. Leading the way for the Longhorns was freshman Avery Bradley who scored 11 points. He was the only Longhorn in double figures.

"Jamar is a sophomore and Curt hasn't played basketball in three years," Martin said. "They played with unbelievable passion and energy. If we want to compete with them, we better have depth on our frontline."

Samuels said that he dedicated his game last night to his mother who recently had surgery.

"My mom, she just had surgery, and I told myself that I was going to dedicate this game for her," Samuels said. "I'm speechless right now. I really can't say anything, just the way we focused into this game. We only had one day to prepare for them, and that day, we really prepared."

This was K-State's first win over a No. 1 team since defeating Kansas at Allen Fieldhouse on Jan. 17, 1994. After the game, Martin was proud of his players, but not willing to celebrate just yet.

"We won a game on Jan. 18th," Martin said. "I don't mean to be silly about it, but I told you guys, we don't get parades this time of the year. I'm proud of our kids and I'm proud of our assistants."

Both Kelly and Martin were happy to see that the students did not rush the court after the victory.

"I think it's flattering," Kelly said. "I think that shows that they believed in us, that they knew we were going to win. Teams rush the floor when they do something phenomenal. They didn't have to rush the floor, because they believed in us."

The first half started in back-and-forth fashion with the game tied at 12 at the 12-minute mark. While struggling with fouls has been a problem for the Wildcats in recent games, the first few minutes of the first half proved to be just as physical, but without all the whistles. An 18-4 run towards the end of the first half gave K-State a 36-26 lead at halftime.

The second half began with a three-pointer by Damion James and then an old-fashioned three-point play by Justin Mason to fuel an 8-0 run and that pulled Texas within two. From there, the two teams went back and forth, with Texas taking its first lead at the 12-minute mark before giving it right back on a Luis Colon jumper.

After the game, Texas head coach Rick Barnes gave credit to the sold-out crowd that was easily the loudest they have been all season in support of their team.

"I think it's great," Barnes said of the crowd. "I thought it was a great college crowd, but I thought our guys handled that. I don't think we were intimidated, but it's great for the league. K-State is a top-10 team. They're not going to make it easy on you."

Last night's game had a lot on the line for the Wildcats, besides just a 13-game winning streak on their home court. It was just the 15th opportunity in K-State history to play against a top-ranked opponent. K-State has not fared well in those meetings, going 2-12 and just 1-5 at home. This was the first meeting ever between two top-10 teams in the 22-year history of Bramlage Coliseum.

## Device connects mom, baby

Tiara Williams | COLLEGIAN

This month, Nuvo Group, Inc. placed an item on the market that would end the boredom felt by a fetus during those nine long months.

The Ritmo™ Advanced Sound System, added to an iPod, MP3 player, iPhone or Blackberry, provides sound and music for any mom-to-be and the child in the womb to enjoy together.

But the makers behind the product, who describe themselves as full-time parents "who also happen to be internationally recognized engineers, award-

winning designers, and entrepreneurs," want this interaction to go beyond the mother.

"Why not get Dad and other family members involved? Record Dad reading his favorite children's book, siblings talking, grandparents singing a lullaby, or the family dog barking. Babies remember and prefer sounds they heard before they were born," said Nuvo Group, Inc.

Their product, which is scientifically proven to be effective on human fetal development, is all about the healthy growth of the new life and the bond formed between its excit-

ed family members. Since they are parents themselves, the creators designed it with women's lifestyles in mind.

"My Ritmo is so comfortable I wear it when I'm cleaning house, watching TV, or even reading a book," said Tara Meussling. "I am a big fan of the Temptations so I play them on my Ritmo so my baby can enjoy it too. When he starts moving, I know it's working!"

Right now, Ritmo™ Pregnancy is available, while later development applications have yet to be released. More information can be found at [Nuvo-group.com](http://Nuvo-group.com).

## Kappa Alpha Psi drive for Haiti

Aubree Casper | COLLEGIAN

Amidst nationwide efforts to help the victims of Haiti's Jan. 12, 7.0 magnitude earthquake, K-State fraternity, Kappa Alpha Psi, will be collecting donations to be sent with the Red Cross to Haiti.

The death toll has been calculated at over 100,000, but many UN officials expect the numbers to total closer to 200,000 as relief efforts continue according to CNN.

Rowshayn Green, sophomore in open option and member of Kappa Alpha Psi, said the idea for the drive at K-State came as he watched the news, hearing of the millions injured, thousands dead and those waiting for

help.

Green and his fraternity will be collecting canned food, toiletry items and monetary donations for the Red Cross who will send them to Haiti. They will be collecting donations at a table in the Union near the food court from 12-3 p.m. on Tuesday, and plan on continuing to raise aid as long as students are willing to donate.

"American Airlines is flying doctors and nurses to Haiti for free," said Green, who is Jamaican, so this tragedy strikes close to home. Green said many people want to help, and this was a way to bring something to campus, where Friday's turnout was good, they hope to continue the drive all this week.

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POLICE REPORT

TV, computer stolen

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A local man was arrested Friday for five counts of rape, 15 counts aggravated indecent liberties with a child and ten counts aggravated criminal sodomy with a child, according to a press release by Lt. Herbert Crosby Jr., of the Riley County Police Department.

James Edward Blenn, 28, of 2217 Stone Post Road was held on \$100,000 bail. The victim was known by Blenn, according to the report.

**TV, LABTOP REPORTED STOLEN**

A local woman reported a burglary resulting in an estimated \$1,100 loss, according to a report from the Riley County Police Department.

Jessica Johnson, 21, of 6030 Tuttle Terrace, Lot 34, reported the burglary, which occurred sometime between

1 a.m. on Dec. 28 and 11:30 a.m. on Thursday, according to the report.

Lt. Herbert Crosby Jr. of the RCPD said a flat screen TV valued at \$300 and a laptop computer valued at \$800 were taken.

Crosby said the suspect apparently forced entry into Johnson's residence while she was out of town.

**MAN FAILS TO APPEAR IN COURT**

A St. George, Kan., man was arrested and charged Thursday with failure to appear, according to another report from the RCPD.

Jeremy Ray Jones, 27, was arrested at 3:35 p.m. Thursday, Crosby said. Jones failed to appear in court on Nov. 2, 2009, according to the report.

The original charge was transportation of an open container, Crosby said.

Bond was set at \$5,000.

DAILY BLOTTER  
ARREST REPORTS

**FRIDAY**

**Rodney David Oneill**, 620 Kearney St., was arrested at 8:45 a.m. on two counts of failure to appear. No bond was set.

**Blake Edward Brewer**, 3000 Tuttle Creek Blvd., Lot 321, was arrested at 9:15 a.m. for failure to appear. Bond was set at \$500.

**Tommy Lee Dishman**, 4721 McIntyre Rd., was arrested at 9:48 a.m. for failure to appear. Bond was set at \$68.

**Kathy Jane Hale**, Clay Center, was arrested at 10:45 a.m. for driving with a canceled/suspended license. Bond was set at \$1,500.

**Daniel Robert Norton**, 3000 Tuttle Creek Blvd., No. 413, was arrested at 11:20 a.m. for failure to appear. Bond was set at \$500.

**John Kenneth Knutsen**, 1425 University Dr., was arrested at 3:56 p.m. for violation of a protective order. Bond was set at \$1,500.

**Royce Dean Huston, Sr.**, Riley, was arrested at 4:15 p.m. for driving under the influence. Bond was set at \$1,500.

**James Edward Blenn**, 2217 Stone Post Rd., was arrested at 5:22 p.m. for 5 counts of rape, 15 counts of aggravated indecent liberties with a child and 10 counts of aggravated criminal sodomy with a child. Bond was set at \$100,000.

**Frank Jay Cooper, Jr.**, Junction City, was arrested at 7:15 p.m. for battery, failure to appear and probation violation. Bond was set at \$12,500.

**SATURDAY**

**Tyrell Lee Dieball**, Riley, was arrested at 2:00 a.m. for driving with a canceled/suspended license, habitual violator, driving under the influence and failure to appear. Bond was set at \$4,000.

**James Michael Wilde**, 2822 Kirkwood Dr., was arrested at 2:40 a.m. for driving under the influence. Bond was set at \$500.

**Kevin Garrett Kuehn**, 915 N 8th St., was arrested at 2:43 a.m. for driving under the influence. Bond was set at \$750.

**Sarah Evelyn Fiore**, 1336 Fremont St., was arrested at 10:45 a.m. for

CITY COMMISSION

City Commission to discuss settlement

Lauren Garrison | COLLEGIAN

several insurance companies and the RCPD."

The Commission will also review updates for designs of the South End Redevelopment Area and the Discovery Center building.

The City entered into a number of design contracts with HWS Consulting Group to design infrastructure improvements for the South End Redevelopment Area.

Tomorrow, HWS and Bowman Bowman Novick, HWS' partner in charge of designing landscape of the area, will share their designs which have been developed so far in order to get feedback from the Commission.

The Commission will also give feedback on the updated design of the Discovery Center building. If the Commission approves the designs, the project will move forward to the next stage: construction documents.

Citizens are encouraged to attend the meeting, which will be televised live on local Cable Channel 3.

The City Commission will meet tomorrow at 7 p.m. to discuss and potentially sign the settlement agreement of the Lowrey case.

According to Mayor Bob Strawn, the Commission will decide whether or not to approve a settlement agreement in which Eddie James Lowrey would receive \$7.5 million to drop his lawsuit against the City.

Lowrey was convicted of rape in 1981. He spent 10 years in prison, and was required to register as a sex offender after his release. However, shortly after his release, DNA tests proved Lowrey's innocence.

In 2004, Lowrey filed suit against Riley County Police Department and many of its officers, along with the city of Manhattan and Riley County.

"The City will owe about \$1.4 million," Strawn said. "The settlement has to be signed by the governing body of the City,

failure to appear. Bond was set at \$1,000.

**Eduardo Tomas Castaneda**, 2500 Farm Bureau Rd., was arrested at 11:20 a.m. for probation violation. Bond was set at \$500.

**Melissa Ann Edmond**, Junction City, was arrested at 11:40 a.m. for endangering a child, three counts of sale/distribution/cultivation of an opiate, possession of opiates, sale or purchase to facilitate, possession of drug paraphernalia and no Kansas tax stamp. Bond was set at \$10,000.

**Zachary Wayne Edmond**, Junction City, was arrested at 11:40 a.m. for endangering a child, possession of opiates, three counts of sale/distribution/cultivation of opiates, sale or purchase to facilitate, possession of drug paraphernalia and no Kansas tax stamp. Bond was set at \$10,000.

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MARTIN LUTHER KING JR. WEEK

Week of events honor Martin Luther King Jr.

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In accordance with Martin Luther King Jr. Day, there will be a week of events offered for students, faculty, staff and community members to commemorate Dr. King's life and celebrate diversity on K-State's campus. Today there will be a student luncheon offered at the Alumni Center starting at 12:30 p.m. Later this afternoon awards will be given out for the Commerce Bank Presidential Awardees for Diversity. The award ceremony will begin at 3:30 p.m. in the Alumni Center.

On Wednesday The College of Architecture, Planning and Design will be sponsoring a lecture in the Union's Little Theatre from Kiku Obata entitled "Transformation through Design." The lecture will begin at 4:00 p.m.

Later that evening Alpha Phi Alpha will be conducting a candlelight vigil and Martin Luther King Jr. program starting at 7 p.m. in Forum Hall. The vigil has been a tradition for the fraternity since the 80s and has been a part of the week's celebration ever since its creation.

The leadership studies will also host a reception afterward, which will include hot chocolate, and the key speaker of the vigil will be Attorney Mark Dupree.

On Thursday there will be a Civil Right's Matinee starting at 11:30 a.m. in the Alumni Center. "From the Balcony of Room 306" will be shown and Myra Gordon, Associate Provost of Diversity and Dual Career Development, explains that it will be a new way for Dr. King's assassination to be educational.

"[The movie] will be very educational for our young people who probably don't know the circumstances leading up to it." After the movie is shown there will be new information covered on the assassination, along with never-before-seen pictures of Martin Luther King Jr. visiting the K-State campus. Concerning the programs, Gordon said,

"This program will be about American history, Kansas history and K-State history. It will be a sterling opportunity to build our own and the cultural competence of our students." Tickets for this event are free but anyone wishing to attend must RSVP at [mlk-week@ksu.edu](mailto:mlk-week@ksu.edu).

A time to crow | By Erin Logan



THE PLANNER

CAMPUS BULLETIN BOARD

**Information Technology Assistance Center** will be presenting the following orientations. The events are open to all K-State faculty, staff and students. Registration required.

- IT Orientation: Technology Resources will be held from 2 - 3 p.m. Today in Hale Library room 401B.
- IT Orientation: IT Security will be held from 10 - 11 a.m. Jan. 28, in Hale Library room 401B.
- IT Orientation: Online Tools will be held from 10 - 11 a.m. Feb. 2, in Hale Library room 401B.
- IT Orientation: The Magic Behind the Curtain — The Educational Communications Center will be held from 2 - 3 p.m. Feb. 11, in Hale Library room 401B.
- IT Orientation: IT Training will be held from 2 - 3 p.m. Feb. 17, in Hale Library room 401B.
- IT Orientation: Computing at K-State will be held from 2 - 3 p.m. Feb. 23, in Hale Library room 401B.
- IT Orientation: Library Technology will be held from 10 - 11 a.m. March 4, in Hale Library room 401B.
- IT Orientation: Emerging Technologies will be held from 10 - 11 a.m. March 10 in Hale Library room 401B.

**Group fitness sessions** offered by Recreational Services at the Peters Recreation Complex and Natatorium will begin Wednesday. The schedule is available online at [recservices.k-state.edu](http://recservices.k-state.edu).

**Rec Fest** will be at the Peters Recreation

Complex from 6-8 p.m. today. Participate in free fitness testing, sample BOSU, indoor cycling and group fitness mini-sessions. Meet personal trainers and sign up for intramurals. Student ID or facility membership required. For more information, call 785-532-6980.

**Recreational Services seeks officials** for intramural basketball. Starting pay is \$7.75. The training clinic will be held Wednesday, Thursday & Monday at 5 p.m. To qualify, you must be enrolled in a minimum of 6 credit hours for spring semester and attend all three training sessions. For more information, call Armando Espinoza at 785-532-6980.

**Intramural entries** for basketball and individual doubles sports will be accepted through Thursday, in the administrative office at the Peters Recreation Complex. For more information, call 785-532-6980 or go online to [recservices.k-state.edu](http://recservices.k-state.edu).

**Applications for Student Alumni Board** are now available at the Alumni Center or online at [k-state.com/sab](http://k-state.com/sab). An information reception will be held at 4:30 p.m. in the Alumni Center on Jan. 28 for anyone interested in finding out more about the group. Applications are due at the Alumni Center by Feb. 3 at 5 p.m.

**Free indoor cycling classes** at the Peters Recreation Complex from Wednesday through Jan. 26 for students and Rec members. New rates begin Jan. 27 with students paying \$1

and Rec members paying \$2 per class. Reserve your spot up to 24 hours in advance at the service desk or by calling 785-532-6950.

**Rec Services** is offering two dance programs — Hip Hop Dance and Just Dance. Each program is 5-weeks, offered in several levels of difficulty, and begins Feb. 8. Sign up in the office at the Peters Recreation Complex. For class descriptions and fees, go on-line to [recservices.k-state.edu](http://recservices.k-state.edu).

**Recreational Services** offers nutritional analysis and consultations. Sign up for a 1-hour appointment. Register in the office at the Peters Recreation Complex. For fees and more information, go online to [recservices.k-state.edu](http://recservices.k-state.edu) or call 785-532-6980.

**The Graduate School** announces the final oral defense of the doctoral dissertation of Tej Bahadur Shrestha at 2:30 p.m. Jan. 26 in the Chemistry/Biochemistry building, room 437. The thesis topic is "Heterocycles for Life-Sciences Applications and Information Storage."

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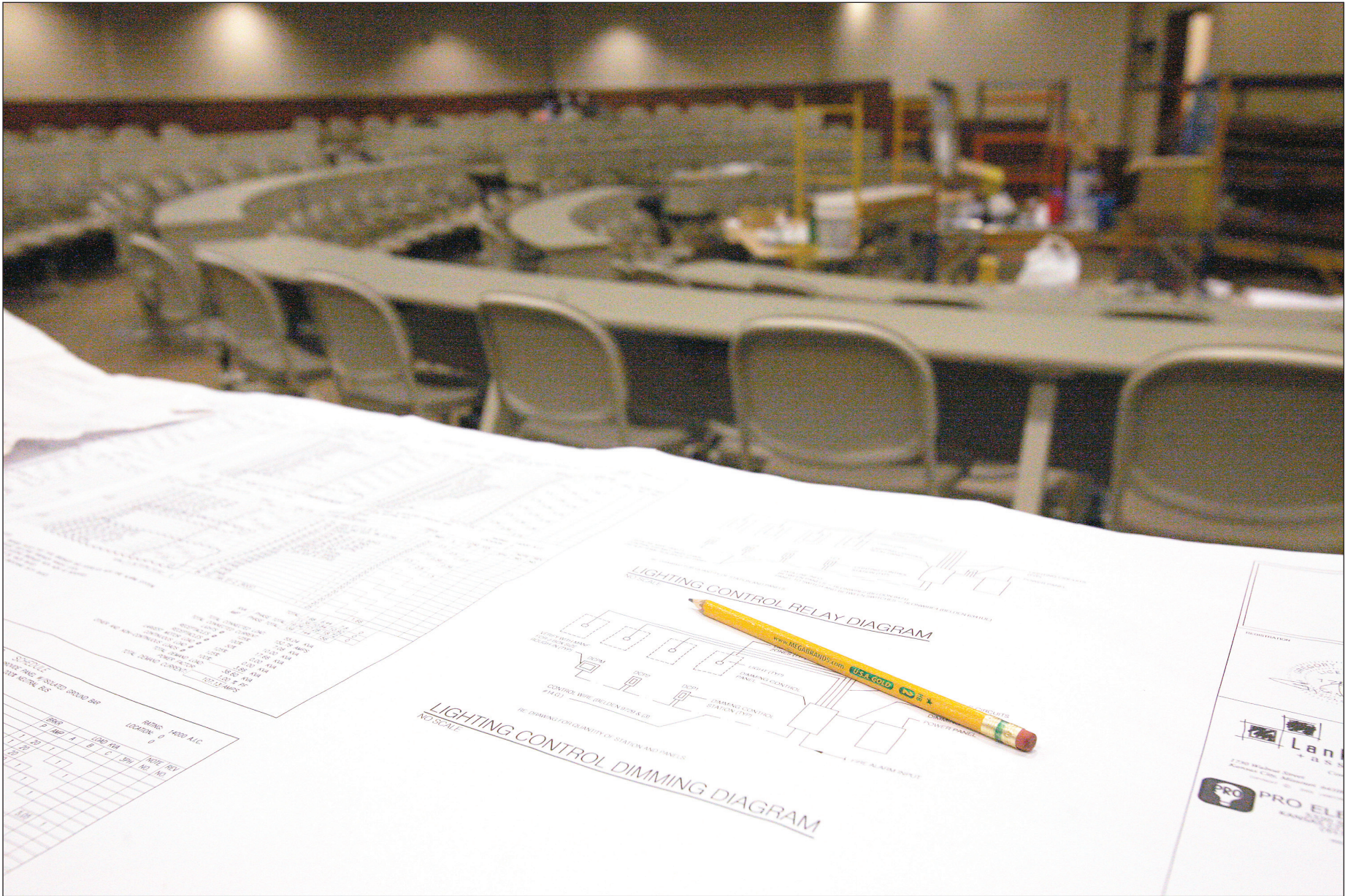
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# Leading Green



## Leadership studies recieves upgrade through donations

Maura Wery | COLLEGIAN

Six years ago, and up until recently, if you were a student in Leadership Studies here at K-State you were crammed into two small rental houses across the street from campus and it was a bit of a hassle to get to class. Office space was also limited to the 25 full-time staff members because of the size of the homes. In order for the study to thrive, a new centralized building was necessary.

With the donated money from Warren and Mary Lynn Staley of Minnesota, along with numerous faculty, staff and alumni, a brand new building for the Leadership Studies Department was born. The groundbreaking ceremony was on April 8, 2008 and now, almost two years later, the department is beginning to feel at home in the nearly finished building. The building is operational and students are taking the classes they were enrolled in at the new building rather than the older two locations.

The building, which will be finished around the beginning of February, will house all 25 full-time staff members,

all students taking classes within the studies and a Radina's coffee shop, which will be open by the end of the month.

Among the fresh paint smell, faculty moving in, students taking classes inside the building and finishing touches being done, the two most impressive things about the building is it is up for an architectural award and is being put up by Opus Design Build Firm for LEED (The Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design) certification by using 40 percent lower water usage, 28 percent energy saving, local materials and other sustainable aspects inside and outside the building. Monica Strathman, Business Manager for the School of Leadership Studies, said,

"We don't like to brag, but really we are thrilled to be here also very fortunate to be here as well and we hope that this building will become something very meaningful both to K-State and its campus." Dr. Mary Tolar, the Director of the School of Leadership Studies, said she agrees the building is going to be an asset to both the program and to the K-State campus as well.



**Top:** The design of the Leadership Studies Department building includes energy and resource saving features that have it up for LEED certification.

**Middle:** The southwest corner of the Leadership Building has two gas-burning, open-air fireplaces that have sparked concern over the building's "green" status.

**Bottom:** Quotation specialist from Western Extralite Corporation, Carl Williams, carries material from the Leadership Studies building back to the car on January 18.

### LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Dear Editor,

I am dismayed with the new Leadership Studies building design and the message it sends about the University's commitment to sustainability. The specific issue is the two gas-powered fireplaces with fake logs on the exterior of the southwest corner of the building. K-State claims the building to be certified "green" by the Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design, United States Green Building Council.

While aesthetics are a personal matter (to me the fireplaces look tacky), the total lack of concern for environmental issues represented by these design elements is ridiculous. The message being sent is that we should have no concern for greenhouse emissions caused by burning natural gas to heat an open outdoor area for no apparent benefit other than looks. What benefit are these? Will they facilitate fireside chats with aspiring leaders? To me, the fireplaces are symbolic of a major problem at this University.

To claim this is a "green certified building" and take credit for promoting sustainability at K-State is dishonest. This certification

is about equivalent to the "Audubon certification" that was obtained for the K-State-supported Colbert Hills Golf course. That designation "certified" destroying tallgrass prairie and endangered prairie chicken habitat in favor of fairways and greens surrounded by suburban houses and businesses that all contribute to nutrient, sediment and pesticide pollution. These behaviors are consistent with building a parking garage instead of using the same amount of money to subsidize alternative transportation for many decades.

It is no wonder that the College Sustainability Report Card gives K-State a grade of C-. Given grade inflation and our true sustainability track record, the C- should be viewed as closer to an F. I think it is time for the new administration to step up to the plate on the sustainability issue. Hiring a coordinator for the University and running a half-hearted recycling program do not demonstrate the community leadership and vision for the future that one would expect for a major state university of today.

**Walter Dodds**  
PROFESSOR OF BIOLOGY

## Stimulus package not stimulating employment

Of utmost concern for conservatives in late 2008 was the imminent change occurring once President Obama took office. Obama said on January 16, 2009, "The first job of my administration is to put people back to work and get our economy moving again."

A year has passed, and unemployment has yet to drop below 8.5 percent since Obama took office. Unemployment rates have risen overall. Unemployment hit 9.7 percent in December 2009, the highest rate since 1982 when it was the same.

I am forced to ask myself, "When and where are these people getting 'back to work,' and how is the increase in the unemployment rate getting 'our economy moving again?'"

Also in Obama's speech on Jan. 16, 2009, he said his American Recovery and Reinvestment

Plan would jump-start job creation and long-term growth.

A rate of 9.7 is not less than 8.5. This is the opposite of what was promised.

The amount of money being spent to create more jobs is the main reason why Obama has not been able to follow through on his promises. Nearly \$37 billion was spent on aid to persons "being affected by economic downturn." Another \$58.3 billion was spent on local and state government aid like rural drug crime programs and fire station upgrades.

I have no problem with spending money to make money or to improve the economy. However, when this spending is meant to achieve more jobs nationwide, and it has done the opposite, I begin to question the spending.

Where are the billions of dollars coming from? Bri-

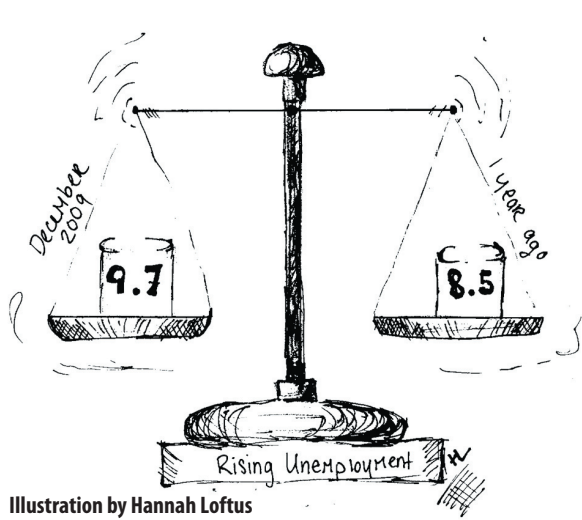


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an Riedl, Heritage Foundation scholar, said, "every dollar Congress injects into the economy must first be taxed or borrowed out of the economy. No new spending power is created. It is merely redistributed from one group of people to another." So, the government is basically robbing

from Peter to pay Paul. So much for stimulating the economy.

The Associated Press recently reported the spending surge on roads and bridges had no effect on the unemployment rate at the local level. The AP implied it didn't matter whether the stimulus mon-

ey was spent or not, the local unemployment rates fell independently. The "stimulus" money is not stimulating the economy.

All of this raises the question of "Where is this money going?" Why are the billions and billions of dollars being spent to create more jobs not creating more jobs? Is the Democrat controlled Congress not making sure the money is being spent appropriately? As a young taxpayer, I really question where my tax money is going. So this is the change that was promised to us: tax dollars being spent for X and going who knows where. It makes me wonder and if you are concerned about where your tax dollars are going, you should be wondering as well.

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# Something simply real

## Singer-songwriter strips down music to acoustic sounds, raw emotions



**Laura Wetzel** said she owes the inspiration for her emotional, acoustic tunes to her relationship with God. Wetzel echoes her music's simple, genuine sound with her appearance by avoiding glitz and heavy makeup.

Tiffany Roney | COLLEGIAN

Over the years, the size of Laura Wetzel's audience has gone from a family of eight to a full house at Bluestem Bistro in Aggieville. What has not changed, though, is her passion for expressing herself and encouraging others through songwriting, singing and playing her guitar.

Songwriting is therapeutic to her as a way to clearly express how she feels, said Wetzel, a sophomore in family studies. Though she gets the most compliments on her voice, and she is known mainly as a singer, Wetzel said singing is not her primary passion.

"Singing is not what I started with," she said. "It's very calming for me to play the guitar – guitar is where I started, and that's what I ultimately enjoy doing. Singing's just almost what you have to do, if you want to add words."

Nate Duerksen, junior in computer science, discovered Wetzel's music when she performed at Bike Night, a weekly event that offers a potluck dinner and free bike repairs. Duerksen described Wetzel's music as "soft, yet intriguing ... very laid-back and relaxed," and said her music made him feel "warm and fuzzy."

Wetzel's music has "a really easy-going, acoustic feel," said Lauren Winkler, sophomore in life sciences.

"Listening to Laura's music, it just makes you feel really relaxed and that everything's going to be okay," she said. "So, if you're all stressed out and you listen to her music, then the way that she sings relaxes you."

Though Winkler described Wetzel's singing style as "effortless," she said the most attractive thing about Wetzel's music is how "real" it is.

Winkler said this quality is even reflected in Wetzel's choice to not wear flashy clothing, done-up hairstyles or extra makeup when performing.

"The way she appears in front of people is just very real – that is the overall theme," Winkler said.

Since the theme of Wetzel's music is authenticity, it may come as no surprise that Wetzel originally began writing music to express a raw emotion.

She wrote her first song when

she was a freshman in high school and was dealing with the sadness of many of her friends moving away for college.

"When you first go through something like that, you're like, 'Whoa, I actually think deeper than just school and books and stuff; I actually have feelings for other people,'" she said.

Wetzel then took those emotions and wrote a melody with lyrics, and the result was her first song. Now, she said, the main topic that inspires her to write music is her relationship with God.

"It gives me a reason to write songs, because a lot of my songs are based on trials or happy times that I go through in my faith," she said.

Winkler said the undertones of Wetzel's Christian faith are present in many of her songs.

"Her walk with God just shines through her, and that is the charismatic feel that people see," Winkler said. "Everyone just wants to be around her, and she's the sweetest girl ever. She just has something special about her – she's an original person."

Though many of Wetzel's songs are inspired by her relationship with God, she said her songs contain themes that any listener can relate to.

"I hope that when they listen to it, people can realize that they're not alone in whatever they're going through," she said. "I love when people say, 'Oh, I felt the same way – I went through that same situation,' because it reminds me also that I am not alone."

"I also hope that it gives them encouragement in their relationships, or in their faith, or in life in general."

Duerksen said he wanted to encourage readers to listen to samples of Wetzel's music on iTunes. Samples of songs from her entire album are available.

"Just give it a shot – you don't have anything to lose," he said. "Do some homework, check her out and you'll be pleasantly surprised."

To hear Wetzel's music live, stop by Four Olives Wine Bar, 3033 Anderson Ave., on Feb. 3 at 7 p.m., or the K-State Student Union Courtyard Feb. 5 from noon to 1 p.m.

# Consider fashion vs. practicality when dressing for a Kansas winter

If there is one comment I will always remember my father telling me, it would be, "There's a difference between being fashionable and being practical." Well, just like most children, I hate to admit it, but he is right. As a fashion major I always want to look my best, but there are times I have learned being fashionable is not the most practical choice.

Take shoes, for instance. In an ideal world, women could wear cute flats or stilettos year round, but with the snow and cold weather, the ideal world does not exist. Thus, some girls look for fashion in their boots, like Uggs, so they can combine fashion with practicality. However, winter boots are not as practical as one might think.

I find that Ugg Boots are impractical on many levels. The first is that most are not waterproof. When walking through the snow, water and salt from roads can get soaked into the fabric of the boots. Prolonged exposure to moisture can cause problems likediscoloration in the fabric



on boots.

Another issue with the boots getting wet: if water gets in, your feet no longer will stay warm, which defeats the purpose of wearing the boots in the first place. On the opposite end of the spectrum, boots can also overheat your feet, due to fur that lines the boots. Uggs are designed to keep feet warm, which is all fine and dandy until your feet start to sweat f.

Last but not least, an average pair of Uggs costs somewhere between \$150-\$200, and while off-brand Uggs are cheaper, they still don't last long if not properly taken care of. According to the Ugg manufacturer's website, [koalabi.com/boot\\_care.php](http://koalabi.com/boot_care.php), caring for Uggs requires constant upkeep. They recommend keeping the Uggs from getting soaked, and not to dry

them in direct sunlight, along with a long laundry list of care tips.

Instead of dealing with these difficult Ugg issues, I recommend investing in a pair of snow/winter boots. I won't promise that these boots will be the cutest pair of shoes you own. However, they will be cheaper and will not cause you the problems other boots give you.

For instance, these boots are always waterproof and will keep your feet dry and warm throughout any weather situation. Also, the cost of snow/winter boots is much more reasonable, since they usually cost \$100 or less at stores like Cabela's or Bass Pro Shop.

Keep in mind shoes are not the only fashion article to look at when also needing to be practical. We do live in Kansas and the weather changes daily. Dressing for the winter is one instance to consider practicality over beauty.

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### WEEKLY HOROSCOPES

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**Aries March 21 - April 19**  
Grow yourself a Jacob Pullen beard to ensure success.
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**Taurus April 20 - May 20**  
You should probably look into taking a good look in the mirror and ask yourself "Am I actually as great of a person as I claim to be?" Smugness is very off-putting.
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**Gemini May 21 - June 21**  
If a drunk text is a sober thought, what does that say about who you butt-dial this week?
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**Cancer June 22 - July 22**  
Stop watching "Jersey Shore" before you lose anymore brain cells. Midterms are closer than you think and you're going to need all the help you can get.
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**Leo July 23 - Aug. 22**  
This week is not looking good for Leos; you should avoid getting yourself into trouble by staying away from people and skipping class and/or work.
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**Virgo Aug. 23 - Sept. 22**  
Liberal Virgos reading this comment should heed this warning: watch what you say this week. No one wants to put their foot in their mouth like Joe Biden does daily.
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**Libra Sept. 23 - Oct. 23**  
There is nothing you can do to prevent Facebook.com Angel of Death from killing your crops on Farmtown. However, Brick Breaker players can expect new highscores.
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**Scorpio Oct. 24 - Nov. 21**  
Sponging off of people now may seem cool now, but at some point karma is going to decide to wring you out. You should give up your Spongebob-ish ways now before its too late.
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**Sagittarius Nov. 22 - Dec. 21**  
The Stars have set your fate. For some reason it involves bright lights, loud music, annoying people ... and ... Lady Gaga?
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**Capricorn Dec. 22 - Jan. 19**  
Beth Mendenhall is a Capricorn ... You may have more in common with her than you think. Just saying.
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**Aquarius Jan. 20 - Feb. 18**  
Your pick-up line for this week should reference how many points that special someone is worth in the Ugg game. Something to the effect of, "You're the hottest three points I've ever got."
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**Pisces Feb. 19 - March 20**  
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# Hard-Fought, Home Range Win



**Justin Mason**, a senior guard for the Longhorns, reaches over Wildcat senior guard **Denis Clemente** in Monday's contest. Clemente made two out of 11 attempts and was one for seven from the free throw line.

## Wildcat's upset against No. 1 Longhorns united effort, promising

### ANALYSIS



K-State usually has either one kind of game or another; either it's rough and tumble or the team is in sync. It is easy to distinguish between the two. With the former, the Wildcats usually manage to get the job done, but with the latter, it is like magic. That rhythm is what gets you scoring runs and victories over nationally ranked teams, and the Wildcats had that rhythm last night as they defeated No. 1 Texas 71-62.

"It's a dream," said sophomore forward Jamar Samuels. "I'm speechless right now."

While the numbers would put K-State over Texas as an upset, what happened in the game did not look like a lesser team beating a better team. It looked like the better team won.

Big 12 schools are notorious for having tough home venues and Bramlage Coliseum has to be near the top of the list. When the Wildcats got the ball, my ears were still ringing from the noise generated during the opponent's previous possession.

"That's the sixth man," said junior guard Jacob Pullen. "The crowd was going nuts. It was great for them to be out there. It really helped us control this game."

Coming into the game, one of the most widely known assets of Texas was senior center Dexter Pittman. At 6 feet 10 inches and 265 pounds, K-State senior center Luis Colon presented a possible solution to Pittman defensively. Unlike Colon, however, Pittman has averaged 12.8 points per game and 6.5 rebounds per game. Colon is utilized primarily for defense and the Wildcats have never needed him quite as much as they did last night for ESPN's Big Monday.

Colon started off right. Within the first five minutes, he already stopped Pittman several times and also grabbed rebounds. His teammates helped him out with the assignment, stepping in to double-team Pittman and steal

the ball if he left it down low. Pittman finished with only six points and seven rebounds.

"We have a united group in our office," coach Frank Martin said. "That has permeated our locker room. I'm proud of our guys."

Both teams seemed most confident in the lane, feeding the ball to the big men or sending their guards into the lane. Texas went 3 of 11 on three-pointers in the first half and K-State only converted 1 of 12, which surely reinforced the strategy of scoring inside.

Coming out from halftime with a 10-point lead, it appeared that K-State took the foot off the pedal a little bit. Those first few minutes, the Wildcats were not as aggressive down low as they had been, and the defensive rotations, which had appeared seamless in the first half, were not nearly as effective. They also turned the ball over more. With this lack of offense, the formerly raucous crowd became more passive.

However, K-State stayed in the game, never trailing Texas by more than two points. The Wildcats were able to run the court and get some breakaway layups



Junior forward **Curtis Kelly**, No. 24, celebrates with jubilant fans after a Wildcat win.

that helped swing the momentum in their favor, but the game was won on the boards, where K-State out-rebounded Texas 50 to 41. Samuels had 12 of those rebounds in addition to 20 points and junior forward Curtis Kelly got eight to add to 17 points.

At the end of the game, the K-State students did not even storm the court.

"That's flattering," Kelly said. "They knew we were go-

ing to win."

Martin said instead of celebrating in January, the team will see what happens later in the season.

"Why settle for second when first is available?" Martin said, quoting former coach Bob Huggins, who had been quoting John F. Kennedy.

With that kind of attitude, this win does not seem like an upset at all.

# Women's basketball falls short in Oklahoma

Sam Nearhood | COLLEGIAN

Oklahoma State University put an end to K-State's six-game winning streak Saturday night with a narrow victory in Stillwater, Okla.

The Cowgirls (15-2, 3-0 Big 12 Conference) extended their perfect conference record with a 66-56 win over the Wildcats (10-7, 2-1), who lost their first game in league play.

The teams battled for possession of the game for most of the first half, until the Cowgirls found their pace for a narrow lead. A late push in the second half by Oklahoma State's Andrea Riley, senior guard - who scored nearly half of her game-high 31 points in the last eight min-

utes of play - secured the Cowgirls' 10 point lead for the win.

Three Wildcats scored in double digits Saturday night. Senior guard Kari Kincaid made 50 percent of her three-pointers for a total of 16 points, alongside freshman guard Taelor Karr with 14 and senior forward Ashley Sweat, recording 13 points and a near double-double with nine rebounds, all defensive.

"I don't think that any of us showed up tonight," Sweat of the Wildcats' play in the low post. "That's such a huge part of our game to establish something inside and that's where we've had success this year. I take a lot of the responsibility for that, making smarter de-

cisions at the high post."

For the Cowgirls, Riley had a solid game, scoring 31 points behind near-perfect free-throw shooting, with four steals. Three players had at least eight rebounds in the game, including 12 from low-scoring center Megan Byford.

"Offensively Andrea [Riley] really beat us up with her 31 points from the floor," said head coach Deb Patterson. "I think for us what was so significant was their defense took us and put us in a position of standing still. We never really established any kind of significant post presence and credit their defense on the night for that"

Sophomore forward Jalana

Childs scored two points within seconds of tipoff for an early start, quickly followed by three points from Karr. K-State held the lead for 11 minutes into the first half, when Oklahoma State found its stride and put up eight points in just over one minute to bring the game to 23-18. Despite strong efforts from the Wildcats, Oklahoma State maintained its lead to end the first half 33-26.

Once again, Childs got the Wildcats going to start the half, this time much more aggressively; she recorded two fouls in nine seconds, almost fouling out. With fifteen minutes left, Oklahoma State's Riley sunk two to begin her team's



wide margin at 41-31. K-State rallied around its top scorers to move within points of the Cowgirls, but the late drive from Riley pushed Oklahoma State to the win.

"This is a team that tonight played very smart," Patterson said of the Cowgirls. "They didn't give in and Riley continued like she always does. She measured the game and was patient."

This game places Oklahoma State into second place in the Big 12 Conference, just behind Nebraska. K-State finds its temporary home in fifth place.

The Wildcats make a brief stop at home Wednesday night to take on the Colorado Buffaloes before a

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# WWII, Battle of the Bulge veterans reunite

Lauren Garrison | COLLEGIAN

Many veterans of World War II and the Battle of the Bulge, with their relatives, met Friday for a reunion at the American Legion post in Manhattan. The reunion lasted from noon to 3 p.m., and over 180 people attended.

The reunion was created to celebrate the 65-year anniversary of the Battle of the Bulge. This famous battle was the final major German offensive against the Allied troops during World War II, and lasted Dec. 16, 1944 through Jan. 28, 1945.

During the battle, the Allied forces stopped the advancement of German troops into France, Belgium and Luxembourg. The Battle of the Bulge was considered the largest and bloodiest battle of World War II for American troops because over 19,000 American soldiers killed.

Jim Sharp, Manhattan resident and Battle of the Bulge veteran, with two of his friends, Dick Jepson of Manhattan, and Bill Stahl of Junction City, came up with the idea for the reunion.

According to a The Topeka Capital-Journal article published Jan. 9, Sharp said he and his friends “started thinking of people we knew in the area in the battle – maybe there was eight or 10.”

“There was a larger crowd than we expected when we first started,” Jepson said. “Some people came from a long way. It was surprising.”

The event began with a soup and sandwich luncheon, which was paid for by the attendees’ registration fees. After lunch, there were several different speakers for the event.

“We had the consuls from Belgium and Luxembourg come,” said Jepson. “Each of them made a little speech primarily on what liberation meant to those countries.”

After the representatives of Belgium and Luxembourg spoke, several photos were taken of the veterans. There were both group photos and individual photos taken during the event. Many veterans of the battle shared their stories with the crowd as well.

“A dozen veterans made comments who had been at the Battle of the Bulge,” said Jepson. “Each of the veterans had only a few minutes to talk, which isn’t enough time to get started, really.”

Sharp was among those who shared his wartime stories.

There were 27 Battle of the Bulge veterans who attended, but a majority of the people at the event were veterans of World War II, or relatives of veterans.

According to the same article written for The Topeka Capital-Journal, Sharp said it is “important for Battle of the Bulge veterans to share their experiences ... to keep the memory of the troops’ sacrifices alive.”

This reunion was the first of its kind in Manhattan, and there are hopes for more in the future.

# Dems challenge Republicans to produce new budget

Caitlyn Mason | COLLEGIAN

Last Wednesday, 10 House and Senate Democrats challenged Republican legislators to create their own plan to balance the state budget. The challenge arose because the Republicans do not agree with Gov. Mark Parkinson’s plan for sales and tobacco tax increases.

The Republican Speaker of the House argued it is too early for the GOP lawmakers to have created their own budget plan to challenge the Parkinson’s plan.

Parkinson originally planned to fix the \$400 million budget gap with an increase in sales tax of one percentage point, along with a dramatic increase in tobacco taxes.

The Democratic lawmakers admit they have concerns about his proposal, but applauded him for putting forth the effort to start negotiations.

The Democrats claim it is now time for GOP lawmakers to step up and propose their own solution since they have veto-proof majorities in both houses of the Legislature.

According to an article published last Thursday in the Wichita Eagle, House Democratic Leader Paul Davis of Lawrence, said, “We were particularly concerned not that Republicans disagreed with the governor, but that they presented no ideas as to what they wanted to do with the state.”

In the same article, Senate Democratic Leader Anthony Hensley of Topeka, said Republicans “have dismissed from Day

One, with the term DOA, dead on arrival, the governor’s proposal, so what is their alternative? If it’s to cut their way through this, I say that is devastating, because we have had five rounds of cuts.”

House Speaker Mike O’Neal, R-Hutchinson, responded by arguing that coming up with a budget plan is what the legislative session is designed for.

According to the same article, O’Neal said, “This idea that in 48 hours, we’re supposed to have a plan for making these reductions is a little bit too much to ask.”

He also mentioned the governor had months to come up with his own budget plan, but expects an immediate response from the Republicans.

The legislative Democrats admitted they also have no formal budget plan, but argue it is up to the Republicans to get things started since they are the majority party.

The most recent meeting was one of many following an August conference in which the House Republican leaders ordered an unusual series of budget committee gatherings.

The purpose of the meetings was to discuss how the state could trim the cost of legislative activities and to acknowledge the budget cuts which were previously made, but these meetings alone would cost the state a minimum of \$35,000.

As of yet, no significant progress has been made on the budget plans. The parties are going to meet twice a month for as long as it takes for a budget plan to be approved and signed.

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